

CONVICTS REACH SUCK CREEK

Ninety-Eight Now Employed on
the Work.

Ninety-eight convicts from the Nashville prison are now at work at Suck Creek building the Dixie Highway. They arrived there Monday night, reaching Chattanooga at 1:40 p. m., and marching in two chains to a long chain down one of the principal streets of Chattanooga, boarded the steamer Chattanooga, on which they were conveyed to Suck Creek and taken to the stockade some mile and a half from the river.

They were all first grade men and wore khaki uniforms instead of stripes. There were twelve white men and eighty-six negroes.

The number will be increased to 200. There are only six guards over the prisoners, who are all men who have no black marks against their records.

The first work will be on West Suck Creek Gravel road. Most of the men will be employed on this. The rest of the prisoners will be put to work on the east side of the main fork of Suck Creek.

Shirleyton.

Special to the News.

A large crowd attended the singing convention at Cedar Springs Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Chadwick, of Chattanooga, spent Thursday and Friday with Mr. Pat Morrison.

"There was a nice cream supper at Ben Smith's Saturday night, and none got sick on cake."

A crowd of young folks from this place attended sing at Cedar Spring Thursday night.

Gertie Morrison called on Myrtle Morrison Friday.

Willie Ervin of Herrin, Ill., who has been visiting relatives here, returned home Monday.

Rose Morrison was all smiles Saturday night.

Kelly Morrison of Hamburg attended the singing convention Sunday.

Gertrude White was all smiles Saturday night.

Fred Wilson spent Saturday night with Roy White.

Robt. Ridgeway of Herrin, Ill., has been visiting here for the past week.

Mrs. John Lawson and daughter, Wilma, spent from Thursday until Sunday here.

Sparks Neal attended the singing convention Sunday.

Laura Deakins and daughter, Elizabeth, went to Whitwell Wednesday.

Lizzie Smith attended singing Friday night.

Myrtle Morrison spent from Sunday until Friday at Hamburg.

Abbie Deakins attended singing Friday night.

Lena Kilgore is visiting at Sequachee.

Martin Ashburn and family attended the singing convention Sunday.

F. Anden and wife attended the singing convention Sunday, Old Maid.

Lodge.

Special to the News.

Pleasant weather seems to be the order of the day.

Mrs. Martha Hopkins made a call on Sam Reed Tuesday.

Mrs. Omie Hancock called on her brother, Sam Reed, Tuesday.

Sam Reed is on the sick list. Hope he will soon recover.

Henry Roberson made a call on his best girl Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Reed and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Reed Saturday night.

Mrs. Martha Hopkins and son, I. C. Hopkins, visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hancock Sunday.

Dave and Atlas Reynolds made a call on Paul Reed Sunday.

Nathan Holder and Jack Dalton visited at George Reed's Sunday.

George Reed and son, Paul, went to Jasper Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Reed are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baulston.

Mr. and Mrs. Wash House made a call on Mr. and Mrs. Sam Reed Sunday.

Frank Hopkins made a call on George Reed's Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Reynolds of Smart, Tenn., are visiting Mr. Reynolds' mother, Mrs. Bettie Reynolds.

John H. Curtis.

Interment was made at the Lanier graveyard yesterday evening of the body of John H. Curtis, who died at Albee Park Tuesday at 2 p. m., of cancer after suffering greatly for two weeks. He leaves a widow and a large number of relatives to mourn his death. He was 80 years old last month. He was a veteran of the civil war, serving on the Union side. He was a member of the G. A. R. Post of this city. For years he had been a correspondent of this paper, and a very faithful one, writing under the name of "Cold Wave" many of the letters which pleased many. He lived here for a number of years but moved to Appison, Tenn., where he was when taken sick with cancer. Funeral services were conducted at the grave by Rev. Stanley of Alton Park, who read twelve verses of the 14th chapter of John, and spoke words of encouragement and comfort to the mourners. He also read the favorite Bible verse of the deceased. The services were concluded by Rev. Cobble of Jasper.

TO PAY EMPLOYES TWICE a MONTH.

N. C. & St. L. Railway In-
augurates Semi-monthly
Pay Day.

In keeping with the progressive policy of the company, the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway will, effective July 1, inaugurate the semi-monthly pay day. Circulars to this effect are now in course of preparation and will be shortly issued.

This plan means, of course, that much additional work will have to be done in the accounting department and several additional men will be employed to handle these details. It also means that the 10,000 employees of the company will receive their compensation on the 1st and 15th of each month instead of only once a month as formerly.

Under the former plan of payment, checks were mailed out to the men in the service outside of Nashville, the Nashville forces being paid in cash. The new plan will mean that the company in meeting its pay-rolls will do the work that would, under the old method, be equivalent to meeting a payroll of just twice the number of employees.

There is no law to force the company to put the plan in operation in Tennessee, Alabama, or Georgia. There is a Kentucky statute, passed by the last Legislature of that state, requiring a semi-monthly pay day, but the employees of the company in Kentucky are relatively small compared with the number in the three other states just mentioned.

That the inauguration of the semi-monthly pay day will please with the employees goes without saying. The N. C. & St. L. is the largest industrial corporation in this territory, and the semi-monthly pay day will doubtless be welcomed by those concerned with which the railroad men trade. The distribution of the vast amount of money which the road pays for labor will doubtless go a long way toward the stimulation of business generally throughout the territory.

Some idea of the amount of money expended in the course of a year by this company may be had from the last annual statement when the operating expenses of the road were \$9,099,621.95.

Jumpoff.

Special to the News.

As I have been absent for some time I will try to scratch in a few lines this week.

There was a large crowd attended church Sunday.

L. A. Smith was in Sewanee Friday.

McKinley Lappin was in Montague last week.

Mrs. Laura Smith and daughter were in Sewanee shopping Saturday.

Miss Bertha Lappin left Monday for Murfreesboro, where she will attend State Normal.

Jim Bible was on the mountain Sunday.

Mrs. Lena McBee spent Sunday with Mrs. Laura Smith.

Miss Laura Bassett was in Sewanee Monday.

Frank Tate and Mr. Anderson were on the mountain Monday.

If you want to see a certain girl smile, just ask her who that letter was from she got the other day.

Albert Lappin was in Sewanee Monday.

Jesse McBee and Verda Smith were united in marriage Sunday.

Jim Yokely, of this place, and Ella Potts of Sewanee, were united in marriage Saturday night at the home of the bride's parents. We wish them a long and happy life.

Nell Smith was out horseback riding Monday evening.

Robt. McBee passed down the road Sunday.

Emma Lappin and Mrs. Carrie Smith called on Mrs. Sarah Smith Monday.

Will McBee, of Alto, was on the mountain Sunday.

We have been having plenty of rain in this section for the last week.

The college at Sewanee, the University of the South, closed this week. There are a lot of people from all over the United States in Sewanee to attend Commencement.

Misses Estelle Sullivan and Emma Lappin were out horseback riding Saturday evening.

H. G. Lappin and a lady of St. Louis, were quietly united in matrimony Saturday night at the home of the groom. There were about thirty friends present.

Beniah Smith called on Emma Lappin Sunday evening. Mountain Rose.

HAIL STORMS DAMAGE MOUNTAIN SECTION

Jasper, Tenn., June 16.—Very cool changes in the atmosphere in this section are attributed to hail storms occurring in the mountain sections. One very severe one is reported in the Irving College section. Hail stones as large as hen eggs fell and did great damage. Trees were completely stripped of leaves. Wheat, corn, oats, and other crops were nearly ruined and, many chickens killed. It has been unusually cool for June and these storms are possibly the reason therefor.

E. R. Condra, Bradshaw, Neb., will read the News for three months, forward to him by A. C. Condra, of Whitwell.

Walter Willis, of Jasper, has moved here, occupying the W. S. Pryor property.

Get into the Boosting Business

Do you know there's lots of people,
Sitting round most every town,
Growing like a broody chicken,
Knocking every good thing down
Don't be that kind of cattle,
Cause they ain't no use on earth,
But just be a booster rooster—
Crow and boost all you're worth.

If your town needs boostin' boost her;
Don't hold back and wait to see
If some other fellow's willin'—
Sail right in, this country's free.
No one's got a mortgage on it,
It's just yours as much as his;
If your town is shy of boosters,
You get in the boostin' biz.

If things don't seem to suit you,
An' the world seems kinder wrong,
What's the matter with a boostin'?
Just to help the thing along?
Cause if things should stop again,
We'd be in a sorry plight,
You just keep your horn a-blowin'—
Boost her up with all your might!

If you see some fellow tryin'
For to make some project go,
An' you can boost it up a trifle,
That's your cue to let him know
That you're not goin' to knock it,
Just because it ain't your shov;
But that you're goin' to boost a little,
Cause he's got the best thing out.

STRIKE VOTE TO BE NEXT MOVE Railroad Brothers Decline Arbitration Suggestion

To Grant Demands of Men
Would Force an Unjust and
Heavy Burden On Carriers.

The conference between representatives of the railroads of the country and railway trainmen, which was held in New York, has just ended following the refusal of the brotherhood men to agree to the proposition of the railroad managers to submit the whole wage matter to the Interstate Commerce Commission, or to a board of arbitration.

The next step, according to the brotherhood men, will be the taking of a strike vote, and it is estimated that five weeks will be required to take the vote and tabulate returns. After the vote has been taken, it is said, another conference will be held between the railroad managers and the brotherhood representatives, at which the demands of the men for an eight-hour basis work day and time and a half for over time will be submitted.

The railroads have maintained all along that the demands of the brotherhood were unjust in that they receive more than any other class of workmen in America; that the demands were also unfair to the larger number of railroad workers who are unorganized; and further that their demands, if granted, would force upon the railroads of the country a burden of \$100,000,000 annually without any increase in revenue to meet it.

"The railroads have no desire," says the reply of the managers, "to change either the existing rates of pay or working rules, nor to reduce the earning possibilities of the employees under their existing schedules, but our proposals, in connection with the interpretations given during our conferences, are so inherently and fundamentally opposed to the views of this committee that we hereby decline them."

"Our conferences have demonstrated that we cannot harmonize our differences of opinion and that eventually the matter in controversy must be passed upon by other and disinterested agencies."

In proposing the submission of the controversy to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the reply of the railroad managers refers to the commission as "the only tribunal which, by accumulated information bearing on railway conditions and its control of the revenues of the railroads, is in position to consider and protect the rights and equities of all the interests affected, and to provide additional revenue neces-

sary to meet the added cost of operation in case your proposals are found just and reasonable."

In their reply the railroad managers also pointed out that the men must recognize that the railroads were obligated not only to the employees, and to the holders of railway securities, who should be given a fair return upon their investments, but to the public, who are vitally interested in the maintenance of an uninterrupted and efficient transportation service, and whose ultimate control of the situation we recognize as fundamental."

MARION COUNTY EQUALIZERS MEET AT JASPER

Jasper, Tenn., June 16.—The Marion County Board of Equalization has been in session for the past two weeks. No raise in property values to any very great extent has been made as yet, property being already assessed about as high as it will stand, and the schedules turned in by taxpayers are substantially unchanged. A few cases of double taxation have been discovered and corrected. The question which agitates the minds of the financiers of the county now is where will additional revenue come from to pay for road bonds if property values are now as high as they can stand. Also, if the Dixie High route thru this county will raise values 50 per cent. as has been claimed, how are the taxes going to be figured so as to get this raise.

JURY DISAGREED IN CLYDE NEWSOM CASE

Jasper, Tenn., June 16.—The jury disagreed on the Clyde Newsom case tried at Jasper. Newsom was under arrest charged with having attempted to burn the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Tracy City. On account of hostility to Newsom in Tracy for various other acts in which he is alleged to have participated, the case was moved to this county for trial. Two jurors held out against conviction on account of insufficient evidence, the testimony of a barber in Tracy being practically the most direct proof of his criminality. Newsom, it will be remembered, got into trouble only recently in Chattanooga, being arrested with another party for robbery from a friend, the three being engaged in a celebration in that city wise and otherwise.

N. B. Turner Dead.

N. B. Turner, a well-known citizen of the county, was found dead in bed at his home near Inman Sunday morning. He had been ill for a long time. He was a member of Knox Local, No. 1732, F. E. & C. U. of A., and resolutions on his death are published elsewhere. He was 68 years old, and highly respected. Interment was made Monday at Pleasant Grove.

The News has the news. 25c 3 months.

CULTIVATE WITH SPIKE-TOOTH HARROW



This photograph shows a cross harrowing demonstration on Ed Anderson's farm, May 8. Mr. Anderson lives in the Battle Creek community. One man and team can cultivate 18 to 20 acres a day when using a 60-tooth harrow. This method can be used until the corn is six or eight inches high. The cultivation destroys weeds and grass while small. As a part of the same field meeting crimson clover was turned under on the farm of Frank Tate.

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FARMERS UNION MOVEMENT GROWING

The Farmers Union movement continues to grow in the section of Tennessee, and lots of people are learning that it benefits many others than those actually members. The result is that locals are being formed all over East Tennessee, and new business schemes inaugurated by the members. For instance the Sparta, Crossville, and Clifty sections of Cumberland mountain are becoming famous for raising extra quality potatoes and plenty of them. The question now is how to take care of them until good markets can be secured. The Farmers Union of Cumberland county will solve the problem by the erection of a large brick building for storing potatoes. A plot of ground has been secured in Crossville and such a building will be put up, fitted with bins for the proper storing of potatoes. The building will be made two stories high and the upper portion used as a hall by the locals.

Dunlap.

Special to the News.

Mr. Editor, and our many readers of the News, I will try this week to drop in a few little items from this place, as this is my first piece to the News. Don't know, but hope there will be some one glad to read a letter in the paper from Dunlap. I am always anxious to get the paper and think it a pleasure to read so many pieces from places I know and hear of so many old friends and homefolks. It is just like getting a long letter from home. Would be glad to see more fall in line with the writers and make the News more interesting.

Hello, "Reporter," of Burrough's Chapel. Saw last week where you invited "Old Sis," of this place to come on with a little news, so maybe this is her. Why have you been absent so long. Maybe you haven't time to write every week. Try to find time and let's hear from you, for your pieces are the first I look for. Also "Morning Glory," of that place. Come on, with your pieces, I enjoy reading them.

Was sorry to read in the News of Tom Wilkins of Kimball being confined with the measles. Hope he will get along with them all right.

Mrs. Jim Tigg and daughter called at the Company's store Monday.

Mrs. Lizzie Turner called on Mrs. Ethel Caldwell Saturday evening.

Quite a large crowd started to the show Saturday night, but got badly disappointed. There wasn't any show so go again.

Pleas French said he would enjoy going to the show if he could get some girl to go with him. He is out of heart and has the blues so bad he hangs his head when a girl speaks to him.

Mrs. Vira Turner called on her sister, Mrs. Lou Tigg, Monday evening.

Mrs. Jim Guyers visited Mrs. Ethel Caldwell Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moore, of Whitwell, visited Rollie Holt and wife from Saturday until Sunday.

Jim Guyers called on Harry Caldwell Saturday evening.

Fate Hudson, of Whitwell, was in Dunlap with his car Saturday.

Pleas French and little son, Ernest, visited homefolks in Whitwell from Sunday until Monday evening.

Harry Caldwell and little son, Harry, called at the Company store late Saturday evening.

Miss Mamie Smedley was in Dunlap shopping Monday.

Nettie Jenkins visited her brother, Jim Jenkins, Sunday evening.

"We were glad to hear of Whitwell starting up in a good run again. We know there are many glad hearts down there, for the mines haven't done much good for a long time."

Wonder what has become of "Sleeping Beauty" who wrote so long to the News from Kimball. Would like to see a letter from her, wherever she may be.

WOMEN NEED HELP

Women are as much inclined to kidney trouble as are men, but too often make the mistake of thinking that a certain amount of pain and torture is their lot and cannot be avoided. Foley Kidney Pills give quick relief from backache, pains in sides and muscles, stiff, sore, aching joints, and bladder ailments. For sale by J. W. Simpson & Son, Jasper, Tenn.

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105-YEAR OLD DARKEY VISITING IN VALLEY

Dunlap, Tenn., June 16.—"Uncle Tom" Woodin, who says that he is 105 years old, and who is from Sparta, Tenn., is visiting his son-in-law, Tom Walters, in Dunlap. "Uncle Tom" is a darkey of the ante-bellum type, and would attract notice anywhere. He says he has been married four times and is the father of 47 children. His present wife is 51 years old and has borne him seven children, the youngest of whom, is sixteen years old. He sort of grins when asked how many grand children he has and adds with a chuckle that he can't count them. He was born in "Old Virginia" where he fields of cotton grow, but has lived in Sparta for 32 years and feels that he has lived there long enough to get acquainted anyway. He reports that he was owned by different masters before the war, and sold at one time for as high as \$1,600. He has been a member of the Methodist church for 91 years, and is recognized as a full member in consequence of the extended duration of his membership. He has created quite a deal of interest during his visit in the valley.

Smithsonia, Ala.

Special to the News.

News is scarce as hen's teeth in this section the week.

The continued high water has stopped all the drilling and blasting and nearly all the dredging and derrick boat work.

The U. S. S. Col. King, has been laid up for a couple of days for repairs.

J. E. Hall, Jr., engineer of this place, and Nicholas Winn, of Lock 6, had the misfortune of getting stuck in the Hardin mudhole between here and Florence and had the engine in the Ford run away and run through itself. James Byers and wife went out and towed it in with their runabout Saturday evening.

J. H. Darby spent Sunday in Florence, to the delight of his best girl.

R. C. Duncan, the popular time-keeper on the Government Works here, was called home suddenly on account of the illness of his dog, Bunch. We are glad to report that Bunch is better at this writing.

Wilford J. Scofield and Robt. Reader spent Sunday at Gravelly Springs, taking pictures, and also attended church there.

Tom Jordan went to Sheffield on the U. S. S. "Lookout" Saturday, returning Sunday night after a trip from Florence to Gravelly Springs with his best girl.

Miss Ruby Mae Reader spent Saturday night with Misses Maggie and Pearl Jordan at Pinedale.

One Among Them.

Mt. Olivet.

Special to the News.

Sunday school was attended by a large crowd Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Levan called on home folks Sunday.

Andrew Levan and family called on W. A. Levan Sunday.

John Painter and Erwin Pressnell called at Clyde Griffith's Sunday evening.

Misses Lela Turner and Edith Cantrell called on Miss Willie Golston Sunday evening.

Misses Bee and Mary Higgins have been visiting in South Pittsburg for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Golston spent Sunday with Mrs. Sallie Griffith.

Erwin Pressnell and John Painter looked sad Sunday night. Wonder why?

J. E. Roberson called at Clyde Griffith's Sunday.

Miss Mand Levan was all smiles Sunday.

Miss Ida Caldwell is visiting her brother, Charlie Caldwell.

Mrs. Laura Bell Curtis made a call on Mrs. Sallie Griffith Sunday evening.

The holiness people held meeting at Mrs. Jane Morrison's Sunday.

Come on, "M. C." of Kinsey, Okla., with your pieces. Blue Eyes.

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